Comiskey Says If His Great Team Cannot Win the World's Series Again He Hopes the New York Americans Can Achieve That Honor - Weight Limits in Puglism

There was all kinds of baseball gossip in circulation yesterday, owing to the presence delegates from both of the big leagues here. At the Fifth Avenue Hotel Charles Comiskey, the owner of the Chicago White Sox, who won the world's championship last fall from the Chicago Nationals, was kept busy all day receiving congratulations from American League fans and others. Comiskey was in a happy frame of mind and said that the Sox had won the great victory by superior ball playing and remarkable pluck. I hope my boys will win the American League ennant again," said Comiskey to a crowd of friends, "and that they will once more put it all over the National League champions: but if we cannot win the pennant, let me say that I sincerely hope the New York team will be victorious. Frank Farrell and Griffith have made a game fight here in the face of obstacles, and they deserve success. If they had had a couple more good pitchers last season they might have beaten us out at that. I will stand pat on the makeup of the Sox, because I do not believe they can be improved upon. By the way, I've just signed Ed Walsh, my crack pitcher, whose contract was received by me to-day."

"Do you mean what you say about New York?" asked John F. Kilfoyle, one of the owners of the Clevelands, who was at Com-

"Indeed, I do," replied the old Roman, and I have all the respect and friendship in the world for you, too."
"But where does Boston come in?" queried

John J. Taylor, the owner of the Beantown club, which is at present undergoing a com-

That is all up to you," laughed Comiskey. "If you can win the pennant I'll be the first to take off my hat." It was all good natured shing and was the cause for much fun-

President Taylor of the Boston Americans was in conference a part of the day with his ew manager, Chick Stahl. Second Baseman Ferris, who has been kicking over the traces. ad just notified them that he would so to Little Rock with the team. They had also received a letter from Jimmy Collins stating that he had taken off twenty pounds during his recent stay at Hot Springs and that there was absolutely nothing the matter with his knee, which kept him out of the game a greater part of last year. As far as Shortstop Parent, who is holding off for a three years contract, s concerned. Taylor said that he was not worrying about him at all and predicted that he would fall in line in due time. Incidentally Taylor cornered Ned Hanlon, the manager of the Cincinnati team, and offered to trade Unglaub even up for a young Californian infielder named Kane that is on Hanlon's

"As I have seen neither of these men play." said Foxy Ned with a grin, "I will have to decline your offer.

Hanlon incidentally says that his Cincinnati team is purely an experiment. He de-clares that he has secured a lot of young, ambitious players and that he hopes they will produce some efficient team play. Hanlon is a member of the National League rules committee, which held a confab with the The rules will not be materially changed,

said Hanlon, while the National League men were in session at the Hotel Victoria. "The game itself was never more popular than now. The pitchers have something of an advantage, it is true, but the closeness of the scores, due in a measure to the foul strike rule, keeps up the general interest in the games to the very last inning, for the reason that usually a team that is behind always has a chance to pull out a victory. In the old days when a batsman could foul off as many good balls as he pleased and there was much heavy hitting, the games at times became one sided in the early innings so that specta-tors grew weary and left the grounds. But the fact that the general public interest in baseball just now is more intense than even before is sufficient proof to me that no radical changes in the rules are needed."

President Johnson of the American League says that in his opinion the championship son will begin at least a week or ten days too soon. "In order to settle the dispute ween the two leagues as to the op ning of the championship season," said he, "I tossed up a coin with Garry Herrmann to whether the first game should be played by both leagues on April 11 or April 18. And was Herrmann's luck to call the turn. So April 11 it is. But it will be flerce in Chicago and (leveland when those wintry blasts from the Lakes begin to get in their work on the

Clark Griffith had a long talk with Wid Conroy, the star left fielder of the New York Americans, in the afternoon, with the result that Conroy accepted terms and will sign a contract this morning. Robert L. Hedges of the St. Louis Americans also succeeded in signing his crack pitcher, Glade, during

At the National League meeting it was a noticeable fact that President C. H. Ebbets of the Brooklyn club, and Manager Hanlon of Cincinnati team did not speak as they met in the hotel corridor. Hanlon said later in the day that he and F. A. Abell were confident that they would win all of the lawsuits against the Brooklyn club.

The assertion to the effect that Young Cort was no. featherweight champion because he beat McGovern at 126 pounds, weigh in five hours before the bout, instead of at the alleged legal limit of 122 pounds, ringside, inspires a man who has studied the matter fully to send these views to THE SUN:

"If that proposition is correct, then McGovern was never featherweight champion, for when he won from Dixon the weight was 118 pounds ringside. It's a poor rule that wil not work both ways, and if a fighter cannot win the title at 126 pounds, he cannot win it at Therefore, Corbett and McGovern never held the title, and in order to determine who is the featherweight champion it will be necessary to go back and find out what boxer beat Dixon at 122 pounds, ringside. The chances are that nobody ever beat him at that weight and therefore, Dixon is still the champion. Of course that is an absurdity, but no more so than the proposition that a championship cannot change hands except at ringside weight, which has no basis in precedent or What is true of the featherweight class applies to every division of pugilism below heavyweight. There are no arbitrary weights in existence, and the alleged ringside limits have been honored only in the breach.

The announcement that Al Delmont, the clever New England bantam, had decided to go to London and fight Owen Moran for championship of that country shows that the American has a great deal of cour-age. The experiences of American bexers have gone to England to box in the National Sporting Club have been discouraging. Delmont will have to knock Moran in order to get the decision, and if the bout is anywhere near even Moran will be declared the winner. Then, too, the financial results are liable to be disappointing. The London club offered Kid Murphy of this city a \$500 purse to meet Moran, but after figuring awhile the Kid remarked:

"Why, cull, if I was to win and I got the long end of such a purse I'd have to learn walk on the water before I could get back

The anti-racetrack bills recently introduced at Albany are slated to/come up for a hearing before the Senate Codes Committee some day this week. Members of the Jockey Club so far have refused to discuss them in any way. Horsemen believe that if they should be passed racing would go on as usual, with betting entirely on the "nod," as in England. But leading politicians hold to the belief that there will be no adverse legisla-

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### AMERICAN LEAGUE MEETING. Where the Different Teams Will Play

Opening Dates and Holldays. The American League of Professiona Baseball Clubs began its annual schedule meeting at the Fifth Avenue Hotel yesterday. meeting at the Fifth Avenue Hotel yesterday.

President Ban Johnson called these delegates to order at 1 o'clock: John I. Taylor and Hugh McBreen of Boston, Frank J. Farrell of New York, B. F. Shibe and C. Mack of Philadelphia, T. C. Noyes of Washington, C. A. Comiskey of Chicago; John F. Kilfoyle of Cleveland, Robert L. Hedges of St. Louis and Frank C. Navin of Detroit. Matters of minor importance were discussed and then the playing schedule was unanimously adopted, after which it was promulgated.

The New York Americans will open the championship season on April 11 in Washington, where they will play four straight games. Then they will come here to begin the cam-gaign at American League Park with the Philadelphia team on April 18, playing also on April 17 and 18. The Boston team plays here after that on April 19, 20, 22 and 23, followed by the Washingtons on April 24, 25, 26 and 27. The New Yorks go to Boston for four games after that, then to Philadelphia for four more. The first Western trip of Griffith's men begins at Cleveland on May 9 with four games, a similar series being scheduled for Detroit. St. Louis and Chicago in the order named. The New Yorks then come East to Washington where they will play two games on Decoration Day, May 30, in addition to two other contests, after which they

will jump over to Boston for three games.

The Western teams begin their first series at American League Park on June 4, when the Clevelands will be here for four games, followed by the Detroits, Chicagos and St. Louis Browns. Four games will be played in Boston on June 22, 24, 25 and 26, the Washingtons then coming here for a similar string of games on June 27. The Philadelphia team will be the attraction in this city on July 4, two games, when the New Yorks will go West for their second trip which will wind up in St. Louis on July 22. The Western teams come directly to this city after that, the Clevelands opening here on July 24. Another trip West will begin at Cleveland on August 12, winding up at Chicago on August 25. The New Yorks will meet the Eastern teams then, the Bostons playing two games here on Labor Day.

The Western teams open their last series in this city on September 29, the season closing here on October 5, with Boston. The New Yorks have thirteen Saturday games, with July 4 and Labor Day at home. There will be five conflicting games in this city, two on Labor Day and the others on August 27 and 28 and September 3, when the New York Nationals are at the Polo Grounds. There will be no conflicting dates in Philadelphia. Boston being scheduled there for Decoration Day and Washington for Labor Day. There will be one conflict in Boston, Washington playing there on July 4, and in Cleveland on Labor Day. Nine conflicting games, nearly all on Sunday, are scheduled for Chicago, the Detroit on Buy in Detroit on July 4, and in Cleveland on Labor Day. Nine conflicting games, nearly all on Sunday, are scheduled for Chicago, the Chicago will play in Cleveland on Day, while the Sox will play in Cleveland on Day and September 3 and September on Labor Day, while the Sox will play in Cleveland on Detroit and Boston in Philadelphia on the same day. St. Louis will begin the campaign in Chicago on hapril 18, with Detroit in Cleveland. Washington begins the seasor on the Boston grounds on April 16. The American Lea will jump over to Boston for three games.

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## NATIONAL LEAGUE MEETING

Uniform Tickets for the Season-Resolu tions for Soden and Conant.

The directors of the National League held their meeting yesterday in the Victoria Hotel. There were present John T. Brush, New York; Charles H. Ebbets and H. W. Medicus, Brooklyn; George B. and John Dovey, Boston; William J. Shettsline, William Murray and Roy Reeves, Philadelphia; William B. Locke, Pittsburg: A. Hermann and Edward Hanlon, Cincinnati; C. Webb Murphy, Chicago, and M. Stanley Robison and

F. de Haas Robison, St. Louis.
The chief business of importance was the action on uniform baseball tickets. A com-mittee composed of Ebbets, Brush and Dreyfuss had been appointed with power to agree on these tickets. It was announced that there would be uniform tickets issued for all club grounds for the season. This will necessitate the printing of between 8,000,000

necessitate the printing of between 8,000,000 and 8,500,000 tickets with rain checks attached. They will be in different colors for different price seats.

The Boston club, recently purchased by the Doveys, increased its amount of capitalization and changed its name to the Boston Baseball Association. It was admitted to membership under the new name. Resolutions to Soden and Conant on their retirement from baseball were drawn up and ordered to be engrossed and sent to the two men.

President Pulliam announced his list of umpires for the season. They are Robert D. Emslie, Henry O'Day, James E. Johnstone, W. J. Klem, W. B. Carpenter and Charles Rigler. Rigler was an umpire in a few games last season and takes the place of J. H. Conway as a regular. Conway goes to the Eastern League.

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Mack was with Jersev City last season and
plays under the nickname of Mack. His
real name is McQuillon.
The schedule was withheld until to-day
and the meeting adjourned until 2 o'clock
this afternoon.

### MORRIS WOOD BREAKS RECORDS. Crack Skater Wins All the Races at Sara-

toga Rink. A big crowd witnessed the skating races held at the Saratoga Rink, Saratoga avenue and Halsey street, Brooklyn, last night. Morris Wood of the Saratoga Skating Club was the

Wood of the Saratoga Skating Club was the star of the evening, winning all four races, in two of which he broke records. The finishes in all the races were exceedingly close. A majority of the best outlaws participated. The mile race was skated over owing to Wood and Lamy being fouled. The summaries:

440 Vard—Won by Morris Wood, Saratoga Skating Club; Edmund Lamy, Saranae Lake, second; Oille Wood, Saratoga Skating Club, third. Time, 36 2-5 seconds. Former record of 38 3-5 seconds held by J. C. McCurrock.

880 Vard—Won by Morris Wood; Edmund Lamy, second: Logan, New Brunswick, third. Time, 1 minute 15 4-3 seconds. Former record of 1 minute 20 2-5 seconds held by John Nellson.

One Mile—Won by Morris Wood; Woodward Suiphen, second; Edmund Lamy, third. Time, 3 minutes 11 2-8 seconds.

Three Miles—Won by Morris Wood: Edmund Lamy, second; Woodward Suiphen, third. Time, 9 minutes 3 seconds.

## KEATOR A FAST MUD RUNNER.

OUTRACES DARGIN IN HANDICAP AT NEW ORLEANS.

Rain and Scratches Spott Card-Don't Ask Me One of the Two Favorites to Win-Chase and Red Coat Succeed -Long Odds in New Orleans Races.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 25 .- The steady rain of last night had a great deal of effect on the card that was presented at the Fair Grounds to-day. The programme was whittled almost beyond recognition, and one of the events

wiped out of existence. Favorite players were generally wrong throughout the day, but two winning. The handicap promised a fair race, had the going remained good, but after the change everything of class except Keator, was withdrawn. Dargin was supposed to be the most likely looking contender. Keator raced into the lead at his leisure and won pulling up. Dargin was second, while Monere dropped into thir d

was second, while Monere dropped into third place.

Ivanhoe burned up a lot of money in the mile and seventy yard selling affair. Mannix's gelding was backed from fours down to 5 to 2, but finished a bad last. The winner turned up in St. Noel, a 3 to 1 chance, who raced Reside off his feet and led him to the finish line with two and a half lengths to spare.

Don't Ask Me, the 3 to 5 favorite, always outclassed the poor lot that opposed her in the mile and a furlong selling affair. Don't Ask Me waited on the leaders until the turn for home, where she drew away and won without an effort. Amberjack and Horseradish were closest to her at the finish.

Dew of Dawn and Gresham made an interesting race out of the second, at four furlongs. Lattice was the choice, but got caught in a jain directly after the start. McIntyre, on Dew of Dawn took the worst of the going throughout, but won by half a length.

Chase, at 15 to 1, won the opening event in a drive from Baleshed, a well backed outsider, while Red Coat, a 25 to 1 shot, took the closing race by a head from Bitter Brown.

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Second Race—Four furlongs—Dew of Dawn, 112 (W. McIntyre), 18 to 5, won; Gresham, 110 (Garner), 4 to 1, second: Lute Foster, 94 (Bilac), 3 to 1, third. Time, 0:39. Colorident and Lattice also ran.

Third Race—One mile and an eighth—Don't Ask Me, 114 (Bilac), 8 to 6, won; Amberjack, 112 (Lloyd), 9 to 1, second: Horseradish, 199 (Hogg), 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:59. Sincerity Belle, Asterisk, Brilliant, Waterdog and Aules also ran.

Fourth Race—Seven furlongs—Keator, 112 (Garner), 7 to 20, won; Dargin, 97 (L. Smith), 16 to 5, second; Menere, 80 (Delaby), 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:28 2-3. Buxom and Fenlan also ran.

Fifth Race—One mile and 70, yards—Si. Noel, 110 (Gaugel), 3 to 1, won; Reside, 92 (Goldstein), 6 to 1, second: Delmere, 106 (Bilac), 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:48 1-5. Ivanhoe and Flavigny also ran.

Sixth Race—One mile and 70 yards—Red Coat, 104 (Farrow), 25 to 1, won; Bilter Brown, 94 (Goldstein), 12 to 1, second: Cobmess, 105 (Hogg), 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:48 1-5. John McBride, Henry O., Old Stone, Plantaganet, Donna, Quagga, Bitter Hand and Meeker also ran.

### New Orleans Entries for To-day. First Race-For two year olds; three and a half

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### NEW YORK PLAYERS REVOL Donlin, Bowerman and Muliin Refuse

Sign With National League Team. CHICAGO, Feb. 25 .- Mike Don!in is n the only player who refuses to sign a cotract with the New York National Leag Donlin has absolutely refused to to Los Angeles or to play with the New Yorks until he gets-a \$600 increase. He says his decision is final, and by the team leaving without him to-night he is evidently sincer. Donlin says he expects to class a d.s. to-morrow to play with a local semi-professional team, and besides his salary he will share in the profits.

the profits.

Bowerman went back to his Michigan farm at 9 o'clock to-night, saying that he was misused and binting that his salary had been slashed \$700.

I can make \$2,500 a year off my farm, and it will be worth more than \$700 to me to be home with my family," said the big catcher.

Mullin, who played in Baltimore last year,

says:
"I want a major league salary to become a "I want a major league salary to become a major league player."

He departs for Wilkesbarre, his home, refusing to sign. No player will be taken to Los Angeles unless he has signed a contract. Strang and Ferguson held out also and Secretary Knowles was in a quandary. He could only agree with the players on the terms the contract called for and these figures are on the authority of Manager McGraw.

When it became known that five players instead of one were dissatisfied, which was not until nearly time for the team to leave for Los Angeles, there was much dismay among the players, all of whom appeared to sympathize with their associates.

The Victoria Hotel was the headquarters of the New Yorks and they assembled there. A big crowd welcomed them. At the last minute Ferguson and Strang decided to make the trip to Los Angeles.

#### DANIELS SWIMS RECORD MILE Covers the Distance in 23 Minutes 40 3-5 Seconds 'in Public Baths.

The New York Swimming Association las night made its initial bow to the public with an aquatic programme of six events, at the public baths on West Sixtleth street. The tank is 60 feet in length, the minimum length allowed for record breaking performances. A large crowd was in attendance and every available foot of space was taken from the floor to the roof.

The main attraction of the night was a mile handicap in which C. M. Daniels was expected to do all sorts of things to the American record of 25 minutes 15 seconds, made by H. J. Hardy of the Chicago A. A. last year. In order to pull Danny out to his last inch the Manley brothers of the New York A. C. arranged to swim in relays against him. They received a handicap of four minutes and Herbert Manley took the first relay.

When Daniels enterd the water Norbert Manley had swam twelve lengths of the tank, or 240 yards. For the first couple of lengths Daniels tore along, using the crawl stroke, and then he changed to the trudgeon, which now and again he would vary to a sort of side stroke. At the half mile Daniels had gained eight laps, or 160 yards, when Louis G. Manley took up the going, and it was said Daniels was ahead of the record by a comfortable margin.

When they reached 1,040 yards Daniels When they reached 1,040 yards Daniels took the lead and he ploughed along in his effective style, leaving Manley behind him yard by yard. Daniels finally won by about 100 yards in 23 minutes 40 3-5 seconds, making a new American record by 1 minute 34 2-5 seconds; that is, for this length of tank, which was the same as Hardy used in his performance. It was a remarkable race, and not alone the fastest mile ever swam by an American, but the second best in the wide world.

The only mile faster than Daniels's is 23 minutes 18 seconds, yet standing on the record book to the credit of the late Barney Kieran of Australia and made on his native water about three years ago. The Australian's record was made in a much longer tank, so it would be harder to compare the records, but the shorter the bath the bigger the advantage on account of the kickoff from the end at each 4urn.

On his journey Daniels clipped a second off the 1,000 yards mark made by himself on Saturday night and in all made thirteen new marks, which are as follows: 330 yards, 4 minutes 7 2-5 seconds; 660 yards, 8 minutes 33 4-5 seconds; 770 yards, 19 minutes 53 2-5 seconds; 1,000 yards, 14 minutes 43 seconds; 1,200 yards, 16 minutes 54 seconds: 1,300 yards, 17 minutes 30 seconds: 1,300 yards, 17 minutes 45 4-5 seconds: 1,300 yards, 17 minutes 46 4-5 seconds: 1,300 yards, 20 minutes 14 seconds: 1,500 yards, 20 minutes 14 took the lead and he ploughed along in his

1,100 yards, 14 minutes 43 seconds; 1,200 yards, 16 minutes 5 4-5 seconds; 1,300 yards, 17 minutes 30 seconds; 1,300 yards, 17 minutes 45 4-5 seconds; 1,500 yards, 20 minutes 14 seconds; 1,500 yards, 20 minutes 14 seconds; 21 minutes 36 4-5 seconds; 1,700 yards, 22 minutes 37 seconds; one mile, 23 minutes 40 3-5 seconds; The summaries; 190 yards 0,000 yards, 20 minutes 20 yards, 20 seconds; C. D. Trubenbach, New York A. C., 20 seconds; C. D. Trubenbach, New York A. C., 20 seconds; did Joseph W. Spencer, New York A. C., 12 seconds, third. Time, 1 minute 13 4-5 seconds.

80 Yard Novice; confined to members of the club—Won by M. A. Grabam; R. G. O'Connor, second; Rainb Adelman, third. Time, 45 seconds, 80 Yard Novice; Open—Won by W. Friedlander, West Side Branch Y. M. C. A.; R. Burke, Twenty, third Street Branch V. M. C. A., second; H. G. Williams, unattached, third. Time, 19 seconds.

#### SETTLEMENT BASKETBALL. Clark House Shows Prominently in Nearly Every Division.

Clark House leads in the senior or heavyweight division of the Intersettlement Basketball League with seven straight victories. As the tournament has practically ended, there being but one postponed game to be played with an easy team, Clark House wins the championship in this division. Clark House is also first in the middleweight division, but Christ Church, by defeating Clark House next Saturday, will be tied for first place and another game will be tied for first place and another game will be necessary. In the junior or 115 pound class University Settlements made a runaway race, winning nine straight games by very large scores. Every team entered in this division was outclassed by the University juniors. Clark House secured second place very easily by winning seven games out of nine. In the schoolboy class a tie has resulted between University Settlements and Clark House, which will be decided next Saturday when

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## Novice Fencers in Lively Competition at New York A. C.

For the pair of foils presented by Dr. Graeme M. Hantmond of the New York A. C. five novice fencers had a lively rally in the fencing room of the winged foot club last night Those who tried each others' metric were K.
Johnson, New York A. C.; Nils Anderson,
Washington Fencers' Club; Dr. Alger, New
York A. C.; G. N. Breed, Fencers' Club of New
York, and C. T. Cabrara, Washington Fencers'
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After the first round Johnson and Breed were a tie, with three bouts won and one lost. Alger had won two and lost two and Andersen and Cabrara had each won one and lost three.

It was agreed by the judges that Johnson and Breed should fence off one bout. It was a lively tussle and resulted in a win for Breed by a narrow margin.

Chess Match Adjourned. PHILADELPHIA. Feb. 25 .-- Dr. Emanuel Lasker and Frank J. Marshall agreed to postpone the ninth game of the championship chess match scheduled to be played in this city to-day until next Saturday. This game and probably two additional ones will be played at Washington, D. C. The present score of the match is: Lasker, 4; Marshall, 0; drawn, 4.

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MANY SALES OF MOTOR BOATS. SHOW IN THE GARDEN WILL

CLOSE TO-NIGHT. Exhibitors and Management Pleased Wit Success of the Venture-Admiral Cogh-

lan's 'View on the Uses of the Moto Driven Craft-Some Late Arrivals

The Motor Boat Show which has been open to the public in the Madison Square Garden for a week will close this evening. The show has been a very successful one and not only the management but the exhibitors are very much pleased with its success. The public has been much interested, and many boats have been sold and many orders have been given for boats that will be seen out during the coming season.

A good cruising type of yacht is what is

over and the cruiser is wanted not only in the class for larger boats but for small boats, and the reason for this is that the small boat under the rules framed by the American Power Boat Association has just as good a chance of success in a race as the high powered

under the rules framed by the American Power Boat Association has just as good a chance of success in a race as the high powered boat.

There was a record breaking attendance yesterday that was surprising in the amount of interest in the boats and engines displayed by the visitors. All over the Garden blue prints and designs of boats were in use in every booth, and many sales were reported.

The present status of the motor boat industry was well defined by Admiral Coghlan in his remarks on Saturday night at the beef-steak dinner of the Motor Boat Club of America. Admirat Coghlan said in part that while the members of the Motor Boat Club of America were interested in the development of the motor boat from the pleasure point of view, and which was a very admirable one, he took a broader view of the development of the inotor boat from the pleasure point of view, and which was a very admirable one, he took a broader view of the development of the industry. To have mentioned a gasolene motor and its use by the navy a few years ago to a prominent naval officer would have resulted in such a shock to the officer that his death would have probably resulted. To-day the motor boat and its cylinder fired engine is an accepted thing in the navy and simply because the navy has no use for anything that is not fool proof. Not that the rank and file of the navy are fools but because they are wise men and realize the advantage of the motor boat with its gasolene engine as an auxiliary for light and rapid use when needed.

The show closes to-night at 11 o'clock, and great preparations have been made to take care of a large attendance on getaway day.

Several of the small two cycle motors have new wrinkles in the way of carbureters or vaporizing devices. One in particular has an arrangement in the by-pass which does away with either carbureter or vaporizer, making the mixture in the cylinder itself. As the entering gas falls directly upon the hot cylinder walls it is possible to use either alcoholo of kerosene instead of the more

for canoes. This device has been thoroughly tried out and the makers report enormous sales.

Many owners enjoy building their own boats as a recreation for winter afternoons and evenings, and a company exhibiting in the western end of the Garden makes a specialty of supplying patterns and such material as the amateur builder may require. Some builders buy the frames already bent, so that they only have to put them in place, and continue the work from this point. Other owners wish to have the planks all cut out ready to put on and the company can supply these if desired. In fact they can do any part of the work desired by the owner, and also furnish a complete system of instructions.

Another company in the gallery is exhibiting marine night signals, consisting of flashes of different colors which might prove useful to a motor boat owner for signalling to the shore in case of accident. These signals have been adapted by most of the large steamship companies and are attracting a great deal of attention the motor boat fraternity.

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In the north gallery a New York house has a very extensive exhibit of marine hardware, which covers every requisite of the motor boat user, and many new devices for special purposes are exhibited for the first time in the city.

As in the automobile, mechanical lubrication is being more extensively adopted, many of the larger marine motors being fitted with this system. The marine motor does not have as high a rate of revlotiution as its brother in the automobile, but still the problem of lubrication is a difficult one and the old hit and miss systems are gendually disappearing. Beside the mechanical lubricators shown upon the motors, several makers of this device are exhibiting in the gallery, and many sales to individual owners have been reported.

Traffic conditions in and around New York have seriously interfered with the arrangements of some of the exhibitiors, and one company did not get its exhibit into position until late on Saturday afternoon. The company shows one boat, a lap streak lender finished in natural wood and equipped with a small two-cycle metor.

Considerable interest was aroused among exhibitors yesterday by a local inventor who visited the Garden with a model designed to demonstrate a new form of propeller, if it can be so-called. In reality the invention accomplishes the same result as that of some swimming fowl and its action is worked out mechanically to drive a boat just the same as a duck swimming. A webbed foot is located on either side of the model and is actuated by a crank mechanism operated on a shaft across the hull and is said to give a high degree of efficiency.

Among the sales reported vesterday is that of a 45 foot day cruiser of Whitney Lvon of the Larchmont f. C. This boat has a low cabin forward, enclosed in glass and fitted with toilet and other convenienc

NATIONAL RIFLE MATCHES.

President's and Individual Contests Will Now Count for Championship.

The executive committee of the National Riffe Association of America held a meeting at the association's office, 299 Broadway, New York city, last Saturday afternoon. were present at the meeting Gen. Drain, the president; Gen. William P. Hall, military secretary of the United States Army; Gen. Critchfield, representing the Ohio State Rifle Association: Major Isbell, treasurer, and Lieut. Jones, secretary.

Official action was taken designating August 19 to 24 as the time for holding the 1907 matches of the association on the range of the Ohio National Guard at Port Clinton,

Ohio.

Gen. John C. Speaks, commanding the Second Brigade of the Ohio National Guard, was named as the executive officer for the meeting. The executive committee will be present during the matches and any protests against decisions of the executive officer will be taken up and settled at once.

Some important and radical changes were made in the programme of events. There was added a championship company team match, a life members' match, a State secretaries' match, and a civilian rifie club match with the military rifie.

The conditions of the president's match were changed, making them the same as those of the national individual match, and hereafter the designation as the military individual champion of the United States, the championship medal, and the president's autograph letter will go to the man who makes the highest aggregate in both the president's match and the national individual match. This will eliminate the question which has heretofore arisen as to the military rific champion for the year.

A new departure in the work of the association was taken when the committee voted to take up actively the promotion of rific shooting among the schoolboys of the country, and Gen. Brain was authorized to devise a system or code for such use.

The national matches immediately follow the National Rific Association matches. From the amount of interest now shown it seems probable that the matches of this year will be the most largely attended and successful of any, that have ever been sheld in this country. Gen. John C. Speaks, commanding the

TIGERS' BASEBALL CANDIDATES. More Than Forty Men Turn, Out for Practice

PRINCETON, N. J., Feb. 25.-More than forty Tigers responded to the call for baseball candidates issued here to-day. Capt. Cooney and the squad was hurried over to the cage.

Little of importance was accomplished this afternoon, except that the players had a chance to loosen a few-kinks in their arms. The weeding out process will begin right away, so within a month not more than half the present number will be out. Of last year's men those who appeared in uniform to-day were Capt. Cooney, Sides, Vaughn, Harlan, Heyniger, E. Dillon, McLean and L. Doyie. L. Doyle Flood has outlined a stiff course of training for the squad this season and his ideas will be strictly carried out. The players will be trained carefully and good speed should result.

GUNNER MOIR RETAINS TITLE English Heavyweight Champion Defeats

Tiger Smith in a Round. Special Cable Despatch to TRE SUN.

LONDON, Feb. 25.-Gunner Moir to-night successfully defended the English heavyweight championship, easily defeating Tiger Smith in one round at the National Sporting

Smith in one round at the classification.

Club.

Moir had the advantage in weight, scaling 180 pounds to Smith's 162. He was wonderfully rapid. He floored Smith with a punch on the jaw within ten seconds of the beginning of the fight. Smith arose gamely, only to be knocked down again and again it was a furious battle, but it was all over it two minutes.

PALM BEACH, Fla., Feb. 25 .- The Scotch foursome tournament for professionals and amateurs was played to-day. A. B. Fenn and R. H. McElwee tied with Gilbert Nichols and Walter Fairbanks for first and second prizes, which was played off in the afternoon, A. H. Fenn and R. H. McElwee winning by three strokes. The following are the scores: A. H. Fenn and R. H. McElwee, 65: Gilbert Nichola and W. Fairbanks, 65: Willie Anderson and J. L. Hopkins, 65: Aleck Smith and E. Leo Jones, 70; L. A. Hamilton and V. Longley, 70; John Shepard, Jr., and E. B. Rust, 71. Playof of the Tic—A. H. Fenn and R. H. McElwee, 68: Gilbert Nichola and W. Fairbanks, 71.



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COLUMBIA'S NEW JUMPER.

S. R. Osborne Shows Good Form in Handle cap Games. Two excellent performances were recorded

at the weekly handicap games which were held in the Columbia University gymnasium yesterday afternoon. In the high jump S. R. Osborne, a sophomore, cleared the beat 5 feet 8 inches. Osborne has been jumping only a short time and Croeks believes that he has found a valuable addition to the squad. In the half mile run H. E. Slade was the winner in 2 minutes 8 seconds. This time was made under exceptionally poor track conditions.

Trainer Crooks is in trouble over the effect that the new eligibility rules are having on the track men. It looks now as if a big bunch of men would be declared ineligible under the new rules who in former years have been allowed to compete. The sum-maries follow:

maries follow:

220 Yard Dash—Won by G. G. Sales, '08. 8 yards. K. M. Boorman, '08. scratch. second; G. C. Edgar. '09. 2 yards, third; C. M. Boyes, '19. 3 yards, fourth. Time, 24 3-5 seconds.

35 Yard Dash—Won by G. C. Edgar, scratch; R. Schwarz, '08. 2 feet, second; C. M. Boyes, '10. scratch, third; R. E. Werner, '10. 5 feet, fourth. Time, 43-5 seconds.

880 Yard Run—Won by H. E. Slade, '09. scratch, A. Holtzoff, '08. 60 yards, second; S. Bischoff, '10. 50 yards, third; R. B. Seymour, '10. 50 yards, fourth. Time, 2 minutes 5 seconds.

High Jump—Won by S. R. Osborne, '08. scratch, High Jump—Won by S. R. Osborne, '08. scratch, with a jump of 5 feet 8 inches; K. M. Boorman, '08. 3 inches, second, with a jump of 5 feet 1 inches, L. Uhlman, '09. 3 inches, third, with a jump of 5 feet 3 inches, Inches, fourth, with a jump of 5 feet 3 inches, Inche

